Reply of Government.—Individual cases of hardship will be enquired into on a representation to the Deputy Commissioner.

SUBJECT No. 68.

Conversion of dry lands into wet and garden lands.

Mr. Surasastri, Chikballapur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is a great hardship to the raiyats if their dry lands containing wells are converted into wet and garden lands and assessed accordingly. Dry rates may therefore be ordered to be continued in all such cases.

Reply of Government.—The existing rules already provide for such cases. No alteration is needed.

SUBJECT No. 69.

Publication of Government decisions in revenue cases.

Mr. N. Surappa, Bangalore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The decisions and rulings of Government in revenue cases may be caused to be published in the Gazette.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration. Will be favourably considered.

SUBJECT No. 70.

(*a*) Descriptive memo of re-surveyed villages.
(*b*) *Tippani* copies.

Mr. B. Srinivasa Iyengar, Anekal taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) A descriptive memo of re-surveyed villages may be caused to be compiled, and copies thereof may be made available for sale in the taluk offices as in the Madras Presidency.

(*b*) Copies of *Tippani* records of the Survey Department (Ferrotyped field maps) may be made available for sale at one anna per copy.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 71.

Functions of court amins.

Mr. J. Subba Rao, Krishi Silpabhivardhika Samaj, Chitaldrug.

Summary of discussion.—Sub-divisions of survey numbers as per civil court decrees have to be effected by the Revenue Officers. Consequently there is long delay in sub-dividing the lands and this causes inconvenience to the parties concerned. To avoid this delay, the court amins may be permitted to make the necessary sub-divisions.

Reply of Government.—Not possible. Special cases of long delay may be brought to notice.

SUBJECT No. 72.

Amendment of the Stamp Regulation.

Mr. Subba Rao, Kolar District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The Stamp Regulation may be amended by inserting the word "Shanbhog" in Clause G, Section 51, Schedule 1, of the Regulation to facilitate the recovery of *kandayam* either by the patel or shanbhog and the grant of receipts therefor.

Reply of Government.—Not necessary.

SUBJECT No. 73.

Varga Rajinamas.

Messrs. Venkatappa, Venkataramanegowda and Siddaiya, Kankanhalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—*Varga Rajinamas* once presented by the transferrers of properties may not be allowed to be withdrawn by them.

Reply of Government.—Redress should be obtained by application in individual cases.

SUBJECT No. 74.

Land Revenue receipt books.

(*a*) Mr. Anjaneya Setti, Pavagada taluk.
(*b*) Mr. C. Chennakesaviah, Chitaldrug taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The practice now in vogue is to give receipts in *Patta* books. The shanbhogs often take the *Patta* books from the raiyats to get them signed and sealed. This leads to malpractices sometimes.

Separate receipt books may be issued in addition to *Patta* books, according to the practice in vogue in British districts.

(*b*) As per rules in force *Pattas* have to be granted to raiyats. Many of them do not obtain *pattas* as they are not issued in several cases. Such of the *pattas* as are issued remain with the raiyats and the taluk authorities do not check the entries in the *pattas* with the *khirdi* book and ascertain whether all the sums collected by the patels and shanbhogs have found a place in the *khirdi* register. This affords scope to patels and shanbhogs for misappropriating the collections. To avoid this, printed counterfoil receipt books (pages serially numbered) may be supplied to patels and shanbhogs with directions to grant receipts for all collections made by them and obtain to the counterfoils the signatures or thumb impressions of the payees. The counterfoils of these receipts may be produced at the treasury with the collections and the *khirdi* to enable the taluk authorities to verify the transactions and see that the entire amount collected has been duly accounted for.

It was argued that the *patta* need only show the demand and not the collections.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 75.

Specification of Survey number in *Khate, Khirdi* and *Patta.*

Mr. K. Ramanujiengar, Gubbi taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The survey number of the fields for which *kandayam* is paid may be ordered to be noted in the *khate*, *khirdi* and *patta.*

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 76.

The raiyat's right to forest trees.

Mr. K. S. Santhanam Iyengar, Closepet Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The raiyats do not know what rights they have in regard to the trees on their lands. The rights of the *khatedar* to the trees standing on his land may therefore be shown in the *patta.*

Reply of Government.—Section 41 of the Land Revenue Code is clear on the point. No action is necessary.

SUBJECT No. 77.

Preservation of *Khaneshumari* accounts.

Mr. Ramanujiengar, Kunigal taluk.

Summary of discussion.— The *Khaneshumari* accounts of villages may be permanently preserved. As per present practice, they are burnt after twelve years. Easement rights have limitation for twenty years and hence destruction of *Khaneshumari* accounts causes the obliteration of good evidence.

Reply of Government.—Not necessary.

SUBJECT No. 78.

Maintenance of *topes* on Government lands.

Messrs. B. Gundu Rao, D. Srikanta Rao and Gurunanja Wodeyar, Devanhalli taluk, and Subba Setti, Devanhalli Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—As *topes* are not being maintained properly now, steps may be taken either to get them maintained properly by the Revenue Department, or to hand them over to private individuals.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.